

**Regular Meeting
Board of Zoning Appeals
August 2, 2006**

Chairman Jerry Uebelhor called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals to order at 6:30 p.m. Secretary Lloyd Martin took roll call as follows:

Chairman Jerry Uebelhor	-Present	Randy Mehringer	-Present
Vice Chairman Jim Blessinger	-Present	Bob Wright	-Present
Secretary Lloyd Martin	-Present	Bldg. Comm. Dave Seger	-Present
Bob Cook	-Absent	Atty Sandy Hemmerlein	-Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Uebelhor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes of the July 5, 2006 Regular Meeting were reviewed. Secretary Martin made a motion to approve the minutes as mailed. It was seconded by Randy Mehringer. Motion carried 5-0.

STATEMENT

Chairman Uebelhor read the following statement. "We are now ready to begin the public hearings scheduled for this evening. With respect to tonight's meeting and public hearings, we are hereby incorporating by reference into the record of tonight's meeting and public hearings, City of Jasper Ordinance Number 1993-17, entitled "Zoning Ordinance of the City of Jasper, Indiana and its jurisdictional area" and any and all amendments thereto. Audio and videotapes of these proceedings are also incorporated by reference into this evening's record."

NEW BUSINESS

Petition of Redevelop Old Jasper Action Coalition, Inc. and Sternberg Bros. Rentals, LLC for variances from the City of Jasper Zoning Ordinance Section 16.02.120 (minimum width of side yard to five feet and minimum depth of rear yard to five feet) and Section 16.02.130 (minimum front setback (front yard) to five feet).

Mayor William Schmitt was present on behalf of ROJAC (Redevelop Old Jasper Action Coalition) to request a variance to place an old barn within five feet of the side, rear and front property lines on the property located behind the old Jasper Desk building, near the intersection of 4th Street and Anderson Street.

The barn, which was once located off of State Road 162 in Ferdinand, Indiana, was donated to ROJAC by the Luebbehusen family, through their heirs. Mayor Schmitt said the placing the barn in the Riverwalk area, along with the Train Depot and the rebuilding of the Old Mill, would help to promote tourism in the City of Jasper.

Eric Schue, of Bingham McCale Attorneys at Law, presented a site map of the proposed location of the barn. Mr. Schue said according to the ordinance, the front setback is currently 35 feet and side and rear are currently 20 feet. The variance request to build within five feet of the property lines is primarily due to the size of the barn, which measures 40 feet by 80 feet.

Plans are to utilize the barn as an educational center, demonstrating such trades as blacksmithing and horticulture.

There were no remonstrators present. After some discussion, Secretary Martin made a motion to close the public hearing. Bob Wright seconded it. Motion carried 5-0.

Secretary Martin made a motion to grant the variances to build within five feet of the front, rear and side property lines. Vice Chairman Blessinger seconded it. Motion carried 5-0.

With no further discussion, Vice Chairman Blessinger made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bob Wright seconded it. The motion carried 5-0, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Jerry Uebelhor, Chairman

Lloyd Martin, Secretary

Kathy M. Pfister, Recording Secretary